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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (HRC) TENTATIVE TIME TABLE

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1. AS NOTED PARA 3 REFTEL COMMISSION BEGAN DISCUSSION OF ITS AGENDA WITH ITEM 6 (ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS). DISCUSSION CONCLUDED AFTER THREE MEETINGS WITHOUT ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION. PRINCIPLE ISSUE OF SUBSTANCE HAS BEEN ENTRY INTO FORCE OF UN CONVENANT ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS AND ROLE TO BE PLAYED BY ECOSOC AND HRC IN DEALING WITH REPORTS TO BE SUBMITTED BY PARTIES TO COVENANT. SPECIFIC PROPOSALS ON PROCEDURES TO BE ESTABLISHED PRESUMABLY WILL BE MADE WHEN HRC TAKES UP NEW ITEMS ON STATUS OF CONVENANTS.

2. REMAINDER OF FIRST WEEK OF SESSION DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION ITEM 8 (YOUTH-CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTION) AND ITEM 9 (SELF-DETERMINATION). DISCUSSION ITEM 8 CENTERED ON DRAFT RES. PRESENTED AT PREVIOUS HRC SESSION (E/CN.4/L.1310) AND REINTRODUCED BY AUSTRIA. BY END OF WEEK FEB 6 BOTH ITEMS STILL NOT CONCLUDED. UNCLASSIFIED

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3. ON FEB 6 SECRETARIAT CIRCULED TENTATIVE TIME TABLE FOR CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEMS AS FOLLOWS: (NOTE: NUMBERING OF ITEMS FOLLOWS THAT OF PROVISIONAL AGENDA (E/CN.4/1182) EXCEPT THAT NEW ITEM ON STATUS OF COVENANTS GIVEN NUMBER 15 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT ITEMS RENUMBERED ACCORDINGLY.)

A. FIRST WEEK FEB 2-6, ITEMS 6, 8, AND 9.
B. SECOND WEEK FEB 9-13, ITEMS 4, 5, AND 7.
C. THIRD WEEK FEB 16-20, ITEMS 7, 10, 14, 16
(EX 15), 17 (EX 16), 18 (EX 17? AND 19 (EX 18).
D. FOURTH WEEK, FEB 23-27, ITEMS 13, 11, AND 20 (EX 19).

E. FIFTH WEEK, MAR 1-5, ITEMS 15 (NEW), 12, 21 (EX 20), 22 (EX 21), AND 23 (EX 22).

4. WORKING GROUP ON RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE (ITEM 12) WILL HAVE TWO ONE HOUR MEETINGS PER WEEK. PHELAN

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